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FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS IMMEDIATE

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1722

MSGBN ARLINGTON VA PRIORITY

AMCONSUL FRANKFURT PRIORITY

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C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 7343

DAMASCUS FOR RSO/NCOIC; DEPT FOR A/SY/FO; MSGBN FOR CO;  
FRANKFURT FOR RMO; KARACHI FOR RSS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC, MSG, LE, SY

SUBJECT: MSG PERSONNEL EXCHANGE BEIRUT/DAMASCUS

1. RSO MET WITH HIS SECURITY CONTACTS 8 SEP 76, AND THEY  
HAVE AGREED TO PROVIDE AN ESCORT FOR A PERSONNEL EXCHANGE  
CONVOY ON TUESDAY, 14 SEP. ROUTE AND ESCORT ARRANGEMENTS  
WILL BE THE SAME AS AUGUST 31 CONVOY.

2. BEIRUT PARTY WILL DEPART CHANCERY AT 0600 AND CONSIST  
OF MSG SGTS REX AND PACHE. THEY WILL BE ACCOMPANIED TO  
MASNAA BY DATT LT. COL. HAMBRIC AND RSO O'BRIEN WHO WILL  
ACT AS NON-PRO COURIER. BEIRUT WILL USE FOUR VEHICLES.  
ONE VEHICLE WILL DROP OFF AT BHAMDOUN AND WAIT WITH PLO  
ESCORT FOR DAMASCUS PARTY. MSG'S, DATT AND RSO WILL PROCEED  
IN THREE VEHICLES WITHOUT ESCORT TO MASNAA.

3. DAMASCUS PARTY CONSISTING OF MSG'S BISHOP AND  
GLENN SHOULD PLAN TO DEPART DAMASCUS IN ORDER TO  
RENDEZVOUS WITH BEIRUT PARTY IN MASNAA AT APPROX 0900.

4. PERSONNEL AND POUCH EXCHANGE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE  
MASNAA BORDER CHECKPOINT AS ON AUGUST 31. THREE  
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BEIRUT VEHICLES (STATION WAGON AND TWO SEDANS)

SHOULD BE ABLE TO HANDLE INCOMING PERSONNEL'S BAGGAGE,  
CLASSIFIED MATERIAL AND SOME UNCLASSIFIED  
POUCHES. IT IS BELIEVED THE PRESENCE OF AMERICAN  
PERSONNEL IN THE CONVOY WILL ELIMINATE THE PROBLEMS  
ENCOUNTERED BY JAMIL AND MUSTAPHA WITH THE SYRIAN  
MILITARY AUTHORITIES.

5. RSO WILL MEET WITH SECURITY CONTACTS AGAIN ON  
SEP 13 AND WILL ADVISE IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES.  
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